

F-7-33  
Green Oak School  
Urbana vicinity  
Private

Ca. 1904

The Green Oak School is a fair example of an early 20th century frame rural schoolhouse, having the same appearance and plan of late 19th century schools, with a gable facade, a one-room plan, and german siding. The schoolhouse, built about 1904, also has a stone foundation and a recessed, double-door entrance with a paneled soffit. A broken pediment surround was added after its conversion to a residence about 1918. At that time, a 1-1/2 story frame addition was erected on the east gable end. It also has german siding and the 3/3 sash are in casement style. The school was active only about 14 years, closing about 1918, when consolidation with Urbana took place. It is unusual among former schools which have been converted to residential use in that its single room plan is still intact, with separate cloakrooms flanking the entrance door, a high ceiling, and a tongue-and-groove wainscot.

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Urbana  
Frederick County

HISTORIC CONTEXT:

MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLAN DATA

Geographic Organization: Piedmont  
(Harford, Baltimore, Carroll, Frederick, Howard, Montgomery  
Counties, and Baltimore City)

Chronological/Development Period:  
Industrial/Urban Dominance, A.D. 1870-1930

Prehistoric/Historic Period Themes:  
Architecture, Landscape Architecture and Community Planning  
Social, Educational, Cultural

Resource Type:

Category: Building

Historic Environment: Rural

Historic Function & Use:  
Education/School/Schoolhouse

Known Design Source: None

MARYLAND INVENTORY OF  
HISTORIC PROPERTIES

Survey No. F-7-33

Maryland Historical Trust  
State Historic Sites Inventory Form

Magi No.

DOE ☐ yes ☒ no**1. Name** (indicate preferred name)

historic Green Oak School

and/or common

**2. Location**street & number 2609 Urbana Pike ☐ not for publicationcity, town Urbana ☒ vicinity of congressional district 6th

state Maryland county Frederick

**3. Classification**

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational
<input type="checkbox"/> site	<b>Public Acquisition</b>	<b>Accessible</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military
			<input type="checkbox"/> museum
			<input type="checkbox"/> park
			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private residence
			<input type="checkbox"/> religious
			<input type="checkbox"/> scientific
			<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
			<input type="checkbox"/> other:

**4. Owner of Property** (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name John E. Schneider, trustee

street &amp; number 1055 Spyglass Lane telephone no.:

city, town Naples state and zip code Fl. 33940-9742

**5. Location of Legal Description**

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Frederick County Courthouse liber 1273

street &amp; number 100 W. Patrick Street folio 408

city, town Frederick state MD

**6. Representation in Existing** Historical Surveys

title

date ☐ federal ☐ state ☐ county ☐ local

Depository for survey records

city, town state

## 7. Description

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### Condition

☐ excellent  
☒ good  
☐ fair

☐ deteriorated  
☐ ruins  
☐ unexposed

### Check one

☐ unaltered  
☒ altered

### Check one

☒ original site  
☐ moved      date of move \_\_\_\_\_

Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

CONTRIBUTING RESOURCE COUNT: 1

The Green Oak School is a one-story frame building erected about 1904 on the northeast corner of Urbana Pike and Price Road about two miles south of Urbana, Frederick County, Maryland. The building's original one-room plan remains intact, although a 1-1/2 story frame addition was built on the east gable end about 1918-1920 when the schoolhouse was converted to a residence. The three-bay original facade faces west and the exterior is covered with german siding. The date of the building was estimated by architectural details and land records.

The gable roof of the schoolhouse is covered with corrugated metal and the foundation is stone. The west elevation has a center entrance with double doors with two raised panels in each door. A five-light transom is above the doors and a paneled recessed soffit surrounds the doorway. A Georgian style door surround with fluted pilasters and a flat plywood facsimile of a broken pediment and a half-round central urn was probably added when the building was converted to residential use. A concrete porch platform with pipe railings may have been in place by 1918. Above the doorway in the west gable is a single window opening with 1/1 sash. This opening probably had 6/6 sash originally. The north and south elevations of the schoolhouse had three bays with 6/6 sash. The 1-1/2 story addition, which also has german siding, has irregular bays with 3/3 windows in casement style. Entrances with bracketed hoods are located on the north and south elevations of the addition. A one-story shed extension is on the east end of the circa 1918 section. An exterior concrete block chimney is located on the north elevation and an off-center interior brick chimney rises from the wall junction between the schoolhouse and the addition.

The interior of the original schoolhouse retains its original plan, with a single room fronted by small cloakrooms flanking the western entrance. The ceiling is high and the walls have a tongue-and-groove paneled wainscot below plaster walls. At the east end of the room, where the teacher's desk was probably located, a brick fireplace has been added.

## 8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian
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		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

Specific dates Ca. 1904

Builder/Architect

check: Applicable Criteria: ☒ A ☐ B ☒ C ☐ D  
and/or

Applicable Exception: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ G

Level of Significance: ☐ national ☐ state ☒ local

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

The Green Oak School is a fair example of an early 19th century schoolhouse, built about 1904 according to land records, in the simple, one-room style of late 19th century rural schools in Frederick County. It is somewhat unusual in the context of the surviving schoolhouses of the County which have been converted to residences in that its original plan is intact, without partition walls obscuring the single space of the interior. The school was short-lived, closing in about 1918 when consolidation with Urbana took place. The name of the school was supplied by Mr. Marion Lawson, a live-long Urbana resident, but existing county directories, which list other schools by name, are not available for the approximately 14-year period of the school's operation. According to Mr. Lawson, the subsequent owner of the building, Bradley Dudrow, added the residential section.

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Lawson, Mr. Marion, telephone interview, Oct. 7, 1993

**Acreage of nominated property** 1.57  
**Quadrangle name** Urbana, Md.

Quadrangle scale 1:24000

**A**

Zone Easting Northing

**B**

Diagram B shows three empty coordinate axes. The first axis is labeled 'Zone' and has two tick marks. The second axis is labeled 'Easting' and has four tick marks. The third axis is labeled 'Northing' and has four tick marks.

**C**

D

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F

G

H | | | | | | | | | |

Concurrent with Tax Map 105, Parcel 23

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state	code	county	code
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**name/title** Janet L. Davis, Historic Sites Surveyor

**organization** Frederick County Planning & Zoning Dept. **date** October 1993

**street & number** 12 E. Church Street **telephone** 696-2958

**city or town** Frederick **state** MD 21701

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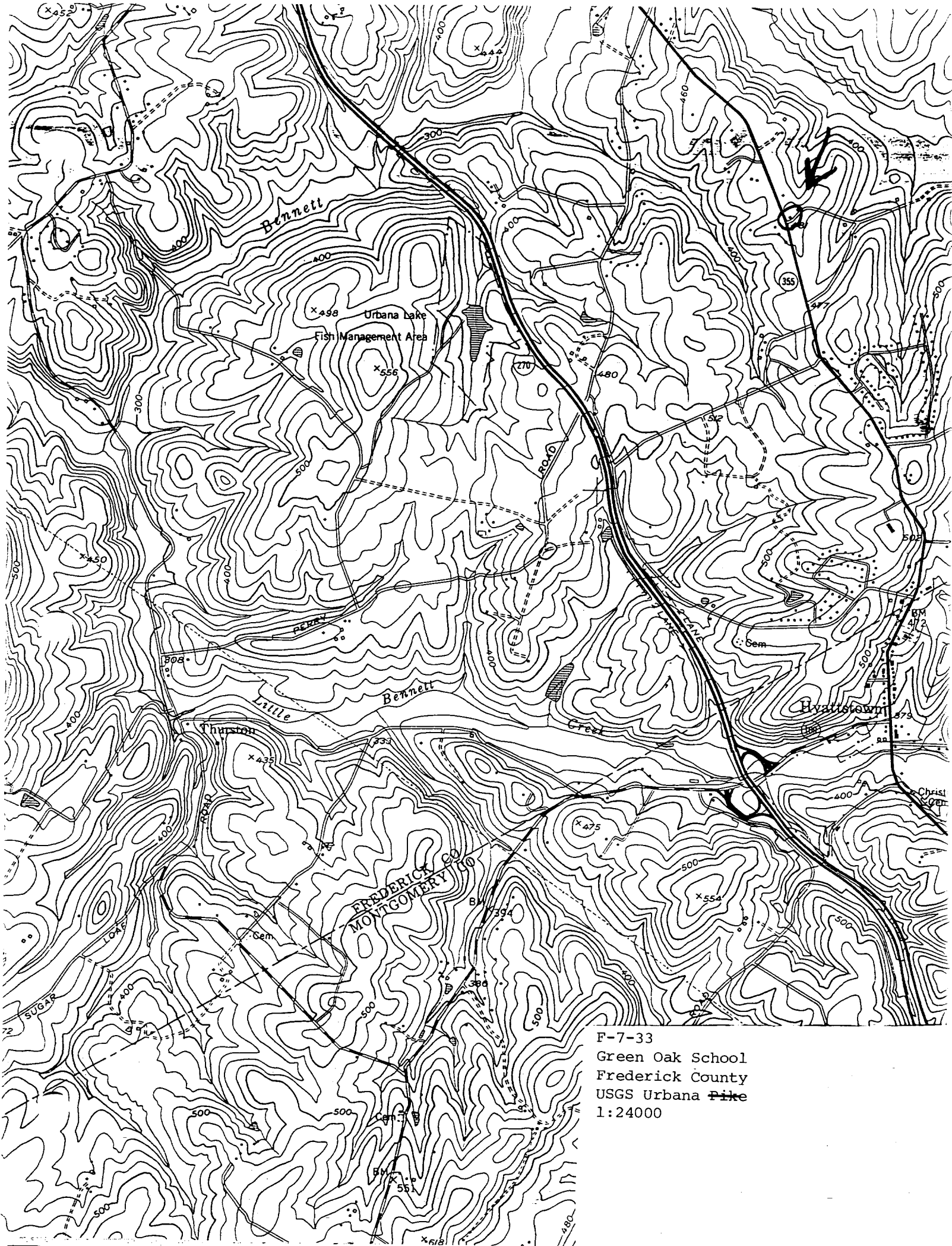
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Sec 2609 Urbana Pike

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Lot Size, Description,  
Other Information,  
Original Tracts

Liber/Folio	Grantee	Grantor	Lot Size, Description, Other Information, Original Tracts	Cost	Miscellaneous
1273/408 25 Feb 85	John E. Schneider, trustee	John E. Schneider	1.57a.		
1014/563 29 Mar 77	John E. Schneider	John E. & Elizabeth L. Schneider	P. 3, 1.57a.		
729/351 24 Jul 65	John E. & Elizabeth L. Schneider	Henry J. Auth III & Mella Louise Auth	1.57a.		
701/98 10 Jan 64	Henry J. Auth III et ux	Charles G. & Marjorie Fennick	1.57a.		449/358
479/205 9 May 49	Norman B. McFarland et ux	Clarence H. & Rachel C. Kasch			
449/358 18 Jul 45	Clarence H. & Rachel C. Kasch	Charles C. & Myrtle Gordon	P. 1/2 a. & P. 2: 2a.		
425/302 15 Aug 40	Charles C. Gordon et ux	Bradley H. Dudrow et ux			
324/341 21 Mar 18	Bradley H. Dudrow	Board of Education	"The Resurvey on Daniel's Small Tract" 1/2 a.		
STH 267/190 3 June 04	Board of County School Commissioners	Jane E. Jamison Ludlow & John F. Jamison, et al		\$1.00	



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